

TUESDAY EVENING, SEPT. 25, 1900

In one of the balls of the University of Illinois last Saturday night, two nude women danced on a stand in the presence of the Sigma Chi society of that institution. Last year an indecent female day, that, pending negotiations of settle dance was performed at a banquet of ment, the legation guard of a regiment some of the most prominent society men in New York. When debauchery and profligacy are practiced so flagrantly among people who should have some regard for the morals of their country, it is by no means strange that those who have not been taught any, should do as they are doing, or that their rulers should act as though they are devoid of all shame. In a free and equal country, where every man has the right to vote, the rulers are not, and cannot be, expected to be better than those by whom they are elected.

MR. ROOSEVELT, who accuses the democrats of being scoundrels at home and cowards abroad, according to officers of the U.S. army who did actual and attested fighting in Cuba, is decidedly more careful of his person than of his veracity; but not much is expected of a civil service reformer who drew the pay of, but didn't try to reform that service, who dodged the tax laws of his State, and who, though now in receipt of a Governor's salary, has abandoned his office in order to go about the country attempting to defame, certainly balf, if not a majority, of the people of the country.

THE Zionists are having a bad time in Ohio. Two of them were denuded there last week and painted with carrisge varnish, and since then others have been driven out of the State. And yet by the highest law of the land every man is guaranteed the right of free speech, and no discrimination shall be made against a man on account of his religious opinions. Murderers, robbers, bribers, chests and all other sorts of rescals easily find safe harbors almost anywhere, but a man who open ly preaches the religion be professes, if it be unpopular, has no place in which

DETECTIVES HAVE been withdrawn from the Chinese legation at Washington, but not from the palatial residence Mr. McKinley has purchased at Capton, Ohio, since he became President, though he was a bankrupt when elected. Why it should have been deemed necessary to have detectives Minister's or at the President's residence, in the land of the free and the home of the brave, and where every body is prosperous, contented and happy, is not readily comprehended.

AN EX-U. S. CONSUL at Hamburg has just been sent to jail there for defrauding two American women. Such instances are unavoidable under a government that pays for political work with commissions in the foreign service of the country. Honesty, reputableness and efficiency are the qualifications for such commissions under other governments, but here, the only thing required is effective work during the last po litical campaign and ability to repeat

Upon the principle that it is never too late to do good, the long delayed determination of Mr. McKinley to withdraw his forces from China may be commended, provided its execution be speedy. The wisest policy for a man in a hole to pursue, is to get out of it as soon as possible, as the longer he delays doing so, the more difficult it becomes. No matter what it is, what ought to be done, should be done quickly. The Chinese business was bad from start to finish.

ONE of the Washington newspapers that frequently attempts to make ado about the restriction of suffrage in the South, says the entire suppression of suffrage in the District of Columbia is good for the people of that district. If the entire suppression of suffrage be good for the people of Washington why the restriction of negro suffrage in the South wouldn't be good for the people of this section, is what only the republicans can tell.

& THE truth of the old saw that when thieves fall out, honest men get their dues, will fail in the case of Messrs Bristoe and Rathbone. They have fallen out, and are threatening each other with all sorts of revelations. But what they say is like a thrice told tale, to which few pay any attention, to no one amounts to anything, and which it Mr. McKinley be re-elected, will be not only lost to view, but also to memory

THE PUBLIC MUST BE REMINDED .-Probably ninety-nine women out of every hundred scan the advertising columns of their favorite newspaper be fore they set forth on shopping expedi-The merchant whose name does not appear in those columns has no more chance of securing a share of the prospective purchasers' patronage than ne would have if his establishment were located at the North Pole; for unless he advertises regularly he is likely to be forgotten. It is a cold day for the rock fell, crushing it in. Its great cave put an end to his trouble. The deed storekeepers when he neglects to re-mind the public of his existence.

FROM WASHINGTON.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.] Washington, September 25. Information has reached the War Department from Southampton, L. I., to the effect that the condition of Secretary of War Root has become very much worse. Two weeks ago the Secretary underwent an operation for the removal of a carbuncle from underneath one of his arms. At first it was thought that the operation had proved thoroughly successful and it was believed that the Secretary would speedily regain his normal health, uncertain symptoms have, however, now set in and there is some alarm among his friends.

Gen. Chaffee's forces in China originaily amounted to 5,000 men. By cas-usities and sickness this force has been reduced somewhat so that it is supposed at the War department that there will

be about 3,000 men to withdraw. The following bu letin was issue from the Adjutant General's office today : "The instructions of the Secretary of War were cabled to Gen. Chaffee to of infantry, four troops of cavalry and a light battery under the command of Gen. Casffee will remain in Pekin and that the remaidner of Gen. Chaffee's force, along with staff officers not required, stores and material, will be sent

to Gen. Mac Arthur at Manila.
Senator Wellington, of Maryland,
has returned from his Western trip and says he is convinced that the States of Michigan, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana and Ohio will cast their electoral votes

for Bryan in November.

Democrats from New York here to day say that Mr. Jefferson Levy, the owner of Monticello near Charlottes ville, Virginia, will certainly not be renominated for Congress, because of his gold proclivities. Mr. Levy is an honorary member of the Virginia democratic association of this city.

Democrats from West Virginia now or who have recently been, here, say it is notorious there that Elkins, Scott and the other republican managers there being aware of the act that they are gone upless despeprate means b resorted to, have already brought hundred of negroes from Southern States, in which the republicane have aban-doned hope, and will try to vote them there, and that they are bringing more

there every day.

The President was expected to short ly appoint a commission of three promi-nent and distinguished Americans to Res assist Minister Conger in cenducting the negotiations for a fibal settlement with China. One of these places has been offered to Hon, Seth Low, of New York city.

It is learned that the replies of France and Russia to the German proposal are practically identical with that of the United Sta es. Japan's reply was to was criminally assaulted by Edward T. the effect that Germany's proposition was inexpedient because the Chinese officials responsible for the outrages would certainly refuse to deliver themselves up to the allies for punishment, and it would become the duty of the Oninese government after it had been rehabilitated to capture them and inflict due punishment.

A Berlin special declaring that both Minister Conger and Special Commissioner Rockhill have in their discussion directly accused the Empress and imperial government of China of having ordered the attacks upon the lega-ions in Pekin, and that President McKinley has suppressed the fact and for political reasons is ready to begin negotiations with these "murderers' was called to the attention of the department this morning. Whether Conger and Rockhill had named any particular individuals as re-sponsible for the outrages, the department officials refuse to say, but they indiguantly commissioner are being withheld from the public because they are what lawyers call "interlocutory" in character and are kept for the preparation of our case against China, it being manifearly interpretations. being manifestly improper under these circum-stances to let the Chinese officials know the character of the information coming from

It is reported here that Archbishop Ireland the great republican light of the Northwest but so objectionable to the Catholics of this city that he is never invited to their houses when he comes here, nor to preach in their churches, except the negro church, has turn-ed against Mr. McKinley, who, he says, has

deceived him.

When Mr. Bryan shall come to New Jer sey in October, as he will do, he will be in-vited to speak in the town in which the smokeless powder works are located, of which works Mr Will Nixon, formerly of Leesburg,

Va, is secretary.

At the brokers' offices here today stocks are quoted as steady, wheat as weak, corn as steady and cotton as weak.

Mr. R. E. Lee, jr., who will be one of the

mr. R. E. Lee, Jr., who will be one of the speakers on the occasion, was here yesterday, and said the postponed flag-raising at Gaines-ville, in Price William courty, Virginia, will take on Thursday next. He says the democrats of his State are united and that he hears of no discontent or disastisfaction among them, and that most of those who deserted their party four years ago have now returned to it.

The conductor of a regular train from Vir The conductor of a regular train from Virginia that comes to this city, talking today about the Jim Crow cars in use on his road, said he has more treuble in keeping white men out of them than in making negroes get into them; that occasionally a Northern nerro on boarding the train here will take a seat among the white people, but that as soon as the train reaches Alexandria his right place is pointed out to him, and he takes it without hesitation.

While Secretary Long's order of Saturday pecified that the six ships assigned to the re-enforcement of the squadron in Asiatic waters were to be added "from time to time," it is oviden; that the intervals between their sep-arate arrivals are to be made as short as pos-sible and inside of 60 days all of them should e on their new stations.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

It was announced in New York this morning at republican headquarters that Senator Hanna would make an address tonight at Cooper Union Hall.

No additional loss of life is reported this morning from Morristown, The storm while fierce was local in effect and the eight bodies recovered at Morristown, it is believed will comprise the total dead. But two buildings in Morristown were wrecked.

The report from Washington that Secretary Root's condition was causing alarm was emphatically contradicted at the Secretary' The Secretary is getting along as well as can

Among the candidates who have success fully passed their examinations and entered the Naval Academy at Annapolis is Harry A stenart, of Virginia

FAMOUS GRAND PORTAL GONE .- A dispatch from Marquette, Mich., says: A northeaster has destroyed Grand Portal, the principal scenic attraction of the Pictured Rocks, on Lake Superior. Grand Port-I was 100 feet high, by 170 feet broad on the water line. The ciff in which it was cut rose thirty feet ate good-by, saying that he would see has been visted by numerous excursion

NEWS OF THE DAY

The ornamental glassworkers in Chicago have gone on a strike for increased pay and shorter hours.

Hon. William J. Bryan stated in an interview in Chicago yesterday that he had promised no political position to

Dr. Nansen and the Duke of Abruzzi, according to a dispatch from Christianis, have agreed to undertake a joint expedition into north Polar regions.

The Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company have given notice that its mines at Shamokin will be abandoned for a long time unless the miners return at once Dr. Alfred Stille, who for nearly 20

years was professor of theory and practice of medicine at the University of Pennsylvania and well known throughout this country and E rope, died at his home in Philadelphia yesterday.

The business portion of Omer, Mich., was practically destroyed by fire early yesterday morning. The hotel, two drugstores, a saloon, furniture, hardware and jewelry stores, a photograph gallery, the post-office and eight resiscres of land attached thereto for \$85,-dences were burned. Losses, about 000, the same to be used as a public \$50,000.

Senator Wellington has returned to Cumberland, Md., from his tour of speechmaking in the northwest. He ays that Michigan, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana and Onio will give their electoral vote to Bryan. He will return to the west, visiting Nebraska and other

It is now very doubtful if the Salisbury government will be returned to power at the approaching election. Six weeks ago the 'defeat of the liberal party seemed assured. Today its fell about fitty feet and was dead when position is very strong. "Khaki" and found.
"victory in South Africa" have not Among the applications to organize proved omnipotent election cries.

Meager details have been received of a terrible catastrophe which visited the village of Morristown, Minn., shortly before 6 o'clock yesterday evening. The village was struck by a cyclone ane a barn was raised in the air and dropped directly on top of Paul Gatzke's saloon, where sixteen persons had taken refuge from the storm. The saloon collapsed and all the occupants thought to be dying. Miss Van Lew is were buried in the debris. It is said that eight dead bodies and three injured persons were taken from the

rounding country have been thrown Richmond. into a state of excitement by a charge made by Miss Lucy Hart, the sixteenyear-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs Frank Hart, respectable country people living near Beltsville, Prince Georges county Md., that on Sunday afternoon Shea, sheriff of that county; William Shea, brother of the sherifi; Leo Smith, "Tod" Fox, and Herbert Butler, all of prominent families in the neighbor-

TEXAS RIVERS ON RAMPAGE. The Trinity river is higher than it as been since 1890, when it broke all records.

The water last night lacks only six nches of reaching the 1890 mark and is still rising, owing to the heavy rains Sunday night. No lives have been lost in the immediate vicinity of Dallas, but cotton and live stock, notably sheep and bogs, have suffered heavily. The item of damage to roads and bridges along in the dozen or more counties afected in northern Texas will be about \$25,000.

A bulletin received at Dallas yesterday afternoon from Fowler, in county, savs:

"Brazos river out of its banks; highe than in 12 years and going higher. Big rise will reach Waco tonight." Fowler is 50 miles north of Waco. It is reported that 40 Italians have been drowned in Neuces river. Eight persons are reported to have been drowned in the flood at Brownwood. Part of the town was wrecked. Communication is cut off, both by wire and rail.

Gov. Sayers wired last night to all points south of Austin warning notices that the greatest flood in the history of the Colorado river, which flows by that city, is now surging down through the mountain gorges to the northwest of here, and is expected at that place by midnight.

The Llano river, a tributary of the Colorado, is 17 feet above normal and has done much damage in the valleys. No loss of life has been reported. Reports from various points in west and north Texas are to the effect that all the small streams are greatly swollen and are sending a large volume of water into the larger streams.

SHOT HIS WIFE -Because he be ieved that his wife, Mrs. Jeneatte C. Miller, was untrue to him and because she refused to come back to live with him, August Miller, twenty-four years of age, yesterday afternoon, in Baltimore, fired four shots at her and tried to shoot himself through the head I wo of the shots took effect on the woman, and last night she was in s serious condition at the City Hospits as a result of the shooting. The affair took place in the dining-room of the Continental Hotel, Pratt and Charles streets, where Miller had gone to mee his wife, they having been separated for six weeks

Miller stood behind the bars at the Central station last night, and told the reasons for the shooting, but disclaimed any intention to kill his wife, saying that he had merely wished to frighten her by shooting close to her, but that his hand had rembled, and that he had fired so rapidly that two of the balls had hit her. After the shooting he cried bitterly, saying that he was sorry that he had injured the woman, an last night he said that he loved her yet. and that if he were to get out he would go and try to persuade her to return to

SUICIDE.-At Green Sulphur, W. Va. on Saturday, Saint Surbaugh, a well-known young man of that place, shot himself through the head. The direct influence which caused him to take his life was his rejection by a Miss King, with whom he seems to have been very much in love, and whom he had told that if she would not marry him he would take his life. He called on her Sunday afternoon, and on his return he told a friend of his that his girl had iilted him, and was apparently very sad and despondent. He wrote a ter to his mother and also one to Miss King. In the one to his mother he told was committed a short distance from the girl's home.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

It is rumored that George Campbell was killed in Amherst county on Sat-urday by Lovering Nappier and Archer Coleman.

Rev. T. S. Dunnaway, formerly Fredericksburg, yesterday received a call to Barton Heights Baptist Church, near Richmond, and accepted. The two democratic factions of Shen-

andoah county put aside all differences at the courtnouse precinct, Saturday night, and organized a Bryan and Stevenson club. A large crowd attended Orange County Court yesterday, and Mr. Robert E. Lee, jr., Hon. John F. Rixey and Gen-

eral James G. Field made speeches in behalf of the democratic nominees. T. M. O'Brien, about twenty-nine years of age, cashier at Ford's Hotel, east Main street, Norfolk, who went to Norfolk about a year ago from Roa-

seen Friday afternoon. Governor Tyler has received a letter from a Baltimore real estate firm offering to sell to the State of Virginia the Natural Bridge with the tract of 500 acres of land attached thereto for \$85,-

The Rappahannock Valley Fair opens at Fredericksburg today. The entries have been very large and the attend-ance is expected to be at least equal to the usual crowds, as a larger number of attractions have been secured than heretofore.

Wilbert Hensley, of Rockingham county, was instantly killed by stepping from a freight train while it was crossing Prope's treatle, sixteen miles south of Luray, Saturday night. He

national banks which have been approved is one for "The First National Bank of Farmville," capital, \$50,000. The incorporators are R. H. Lynn, Leesburg; Oiyer J. Sands, J. M. Hamlet, William F. Lynn, John W. Otley, N. B. Dennison, R. B. Tuggle, and James E. Carruthers.

Miss Elizabeth Van Lew, the federal spy in Richmond during the war, is about eighty three years old, and has been in feedle health for some time. Her aid to the union cause during the war between the States caused General Residents of Hyattsville and the sur- , Grant to appoint her postmaster of

THE FILIPNOS.

Brig. Gen. Edward B. Williston United States army, who, for more then a year, soled as Mayor of Manila and Provost Marshal of the city, is at Baltimore. General Williston left the Philippines on July 15, and has recently been retired.

In speaking of conditions in the islands and the status of the American arms there, General Williston said:

"It is not war that is going on over there now-it is assassination. We are now fighting one tribe consisting of a million and a half of people, the fight ing force of whom are mostly brigands and thieves.

"They are very hostile to us, and most heartily distrust our motives. "As for the climate it is undoubted. ly not fitted to the American constitution and Americans could never colo-nize there. Of course our soldiers sicken and die and if we are to hold the islands it is simply a question of contin ually sending more men out from this country to take the places of those who have to be sent home because of the climate.

"We need more men now. We merely have a nominal hold on the islands, othing more than is covered by our rifls range. If one man dies or is re-moved, we lose the ground that one man guarded. There is much to contend with and the problem is a great

THE CHINESE TROUBLES.

A dispatch from Washington says: This government is about to propose to the powers that Minister Conger shall serve as mediator in China, in part, at least.

In accordance with the statement made to Germany that this country is about to authorize Mr. Conger to enter into conference with Chinese peace plenipotentiaries, Acting Secretary of State Hill vesterday began to frame intructions upon which the U. S. min

ster in Pekin is to act.

According to the Official Messenger M. de Giers, the Russian minister, and a portion of the Russian troops that have been guarding the Russian legation have started for Tientsin. The remainder will follow when local conditions permit.

The Russians have occupied the fortications at Lu Tai, twenty miles north of Taku.

Russis, France and the United States ire now pursuing a common policy with regard to the Chinese question. Massacres of native Christians near Canton, Chins, are reported.

It is understood that as soon as th condition of affairs in China will admit of it Minister Wu, now at Washington will visit Peru, to which country he i also the accredited representative of his

SHOT THEM BOTH.

Miss Jennie Moore, a daughter of the late Hop, James E. Moore, of Williamston, N.C., and Mr. Roland Hobbs, a son of Mr. A. C. Hobbs, clerk of the Superior Court of Martin county, were shot by Mr. Joseph B. Bennett, son of ex-Register of Deeds W. H. Bennett, Saturday night about 9:30 o'clock at Williamston,

Young Bennett and Miss Moore had been engaged to marry for about three years. Bennett went to Norfolk month ago and returned to Williams ton Saturday morning, and went around to see Miss Moore. During the interview they had a falling out, and the young man left. 9:30 o'clock at night he went back to the Moare residence, and, secreting himself near the house, made, it is said, a noise to attract the attention of the occupants. Miss Moore and Mr. Kumshuk above Canton. The Chi-nese threaten to destroy the vessel. Shanghai, Sept. 25.—Li Hung Chang Hobbs being in the parlor heard the noise, and went to the front door, Miss Moore remarking that she expected a cow had got into the yard. Bennett heard this, and replied, it is stated: "It is no cow, it is me, d-n you" Immediately he fired at them four times in quick succession. Miss Moore was shot through the left lung, and Mr. Hobbs through

the hip. The doctors think Miss Moore may die, but that Mr. Hobbs will recover. All parties connected with this tragedy are of leading families of Williamston. Bennett fled, and has not been captured. At latest accounts the young lady was resting easily.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS

The Strike.

Scranton, Pa., Sept. 25 .- The strike situation is still unchanged this morn-ing. The miners are orderly and appear as much unconcerned as the operators, who declare they will never treat with them as union men. Sixteen cars of bituminous coal arrived yesterday for use in the large Sauquoit silk mill, right under the shadow of the flood will inundate the whole valley South Side coal breakers. The washeries are still running, but are somewhat crippled for want of a full quota of men. It is generally believed the switchmen will decide that they will not handle the cars and all the washeries must of necessity shut down.

Shenandoab, Pa., Sept 25.—Quiet reigns in this and neighboring towns this morning. Reports from all over this region show that more miners are continually joining the ranks of the strikers. The North Franklin colliery noke, has left the city. He was last at Trevorton closed this morning. It has been running full with 500 At the Cambridge colliery, where 130 men were at work yesterday, who had decided to fight sooner than quit, only 50 showed up this morning. All others in this vicinity in the Mahanoy Valley and Shamokin district are idle and no attempt was made to resume.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Sept. 25.—On the early train this morning over 400 strikers left for the soft coal regions with jobs and good wages promised them. Each day since the strike commenced there has been a steady stream of men leaving this region. It is estimated that over 5,000 men have left the coal regions since the strike commenced. The outlook is that by the ime the strike here is over, there will not be enough men left in the region to operate the collieries.

Hazelton, Pa., Sept. 25 .- A slight brush occurred this morning between the strikers and the coal and iron police. One striker was arrested. The ituation at other parts of the district remains unchanged.

Hazelton, Pa., Sept. 25,-G B. Markle & Co. operators of the Jeddo mines, today gave their answer to the committee of workmen who presented grievances to the company ten days ago The reply concedes everything demand ed by the men with the exception of change in the price of powder. This, the Markles ask, be made the subject of arbitration. The answer is highly satisfactory to the workmen as it re moves all causes of complaint except that relating to the powder. The resul of the individual conference between workmen and their employers may have a widespread influence on the strike throughout the anthracite region.

Potladelphia, Sept. 25 -General Su perintendent Luther, of the Philadelphia & Reading Coal and Iron Company, informed President Harris this morning that the West Spenandoeh and the Preston mines, which resumed yesterday, were idle today because of the men being afraid to go to work is the face of a hostile demonstration on the part of the strikers. The mine at Waidesville was forced to close down this morning by the bursting of a water main. There is no intimation, how ever, that its bursting was not accident-This leaves only thirteen Reading

mines working, twenty-six are idle.

Reading, Pa., Sept. 25.—The Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company has issued orders to change engine burning anthracite coal so that they can use bituminous coal if the anthracite supply becomes exhausted.

Replies of Continental Powers Berlin, Sept. 25 .- Russia and Japan

have replied assenting in principle to the German note though Russia points out the necessity of further negotiaions respecting the punishment of the ringleaders of the Chinese outrages. France's reply was to the same effect, practically, as Russia's and was un-doubtedly framed to accord with it. The British reply has not yet been announced if, indeed, it has been received. Official Germany professes to be highly pleased with the replies from the continental powers, regarding the nonconcurrence of the United States as unimportant. As a matter of fact, however, it will probably appear shortly that the replies of Russia, France and Japan and doubtless of England are in effect the same as the Washington note, although dictated by a more considerate diplomacy in view of Germany's greater provocation to violent measures n Chins. In short, the Kaiser will be given the satisfaction of paper assurances that his policy of punishment is xcellent while, at the same time, its operations will be quietly blocked. The act that Rome and Vienna are entirely in accord with Berlin is of small importance. Meanwhile the greatest phy sical obstacle to a diplomatic settleme n China, Field Marshal Count Von Waldersee, is travelling toward Tie tsin with the prestige of Germany in his baton. It is believed that the Kaier will go to great lengths to justify nis Field Marshal's presence in Chins. Whether so far as to wreck the concert f the powers, cannot be predicted but it is the opinion of many foreign diplo-mats in Berlin that on the Kaiser's temper will depend the adjustment of Chi nese affairs, whether it is to be accomplished by diplomacy or force.
London, Sept. 25.—It is semi-official-

announced this afternoon that the British reply to Germany's note has been transmitted, and that it is similar in effect to the reply of the United States.

The Situation in China. Shanghai, Sept. 25 .- It is rumored pere that the Dowager Empress has

sued a secret edict commanding Li Hung Chang to retake Pekin. Li Hung Coang remains at Tientsin. Berlin, Sept. 25 - The appointment of

It is supposed here that this accounts for the decision of the United States to leave 1,500 men at Pekin. Hong Kong, Sept. 25.—The aspect in the Kwang Chung district is threaten-

ing and frequent anti-Christian riots have occurred which have not been checked by the vicerovs An army of 20,000 Triads, which are fiercely antiforeign and associated with the "Box-ers," have established a base at Chung Chien and are threatening Canton and are preparing for rebellion. The French gunboat Avalanche remains at

has telegraphed from Tientsin to the Chinase authorities here that he has had a dezen "boxer" leaders decapitated. He also announces that Catholics at Chenting are safe. Advices from Chinese sources say that Prince Tuan is summoning more troops and preparing to renew the war.

To prevent consumption quickly cure throat and lung troubles with One Minute follows:

The Flood in Texas Austin, Tex , Sept. 25.—No reports have been received this morning from the flood-threatened district south of here. It is feared that hundreds of lives have been lost in the flooded districts, as the rise came in the night, and no warning could be sent to those who live in the bottom lands. Within the last few hours, the Colorado river has risen 15 feet at this point, and this additional and cause great destruction of property. Liano has been partly swept away. No direct communication can be had with San Saba. Marble Falls, 25 miles above Austin, is reported to have been washed away. Efforts to reach there are without avail. At Kingsland the river rose 50 feet during the day. Bridges have been washed away and many houses destroyed. Reports from west Texas are meagre as the country is sparsely settled and it will be some days before accurate information is ob-

tainable. Austin, Tex., Sept. 25 -The report sent out from here at 2 o'clock this morning to the effect that Marble Falls with 800 population had been washed away by the Colorado river is a big mistake. A telegram from there says he town is intact, and is too far above the river to be touched. The river is on a tremendous rise, and 19 feet over its banks at this point. Some apprehension is felt over the town of grange, 40 miles below here. Meagre reports say several lives were lost at Foldthwaite, 85 miles northwest of here. Every stream in northwest and central Texas continues to rise. Farms in the lowlands along all streams are under water. Crop damages will be very large. Governor-elect Dukes and D. Thomas who were supposed to have perished in the Galveston flood, are

Death of Gen. John M. Palmer.

Springfield, Ills., Sept. 25.-General

ohn M. Palmer, former Governor of Illinois and United States Senator and a general in the Union army in the civil war, died at his home here at 7 a. m. today. The general was apparently in his usual health and spirits yes-terday and during the day went down town and mingled with his old associates. In the evening in company with his wife and other members of the family the general was down town sgain, out, after returning home, he began to complain of an intense shooting pain in the chest, and around the heart and the family physician was called. The pain continued the greater part of the night and the doctor was called in several times. At 4 o'clock this morning he made his last visit, the General at that time being free from pain. Soon after the General went to sleep. About 7 o'clock Mrs. Palmer thought it best to call the doctor again and slipped out across the street without waking her husband. She was gone a few moments but on her return found he was dead. The death was peaceful and

without sensation.

John McCauley Palmer was born in Eagle Creek, Scott county, Ky., September 13, 1817. In 1832 ne removed to Illinois, and in 1839 settled in Carlinville. He was elected colonel of the 14th Illinois volunteers in 1861, and was commissioned brigadier general of the same year and for gallantry was promoted to be major general of volun-From 1869 to 1873 he was gov-6818. ernor of Illinois. Later he represented Illinois in the United States Senate and in 1896 was nominated for the presidency by the "gold" democrats.

Princeton Freshies' Daring Climb.

Princeton, N. J. Sept. 25.-W. E. Deveroux and V. B. Devereux, broth- dence at the southwest corner of the ers, and Galt Stockley, all freshmen, daring youths early yesterday morning stole the clapper of the historic bell which swings in Old North Tower, They started to work at 1 o'clock, and. after stumbling through numerous passages in inky darkness, and smashing doors and skylights, they succeeded in getting out on the roof of North college. From the roof they climbed the light-ning rod up the side of the tower to the p of the belfry. This was a perilous dertaking on account of the beight and also because the rod is covered with barbed wire just to prevent such escapades as this. After much hard work the clapper was wrenched from its fastenings, and the boys descended. having spent four hours at their As they emerged from the building they were arrested by the college proctors, and the college treasurer to day fined them \$26,50 damages.

Owl Perched Over the Judge. Baltimore, Md., Sept. 25 .- A big owl ound its way into the court room at Towson yesterday morning, and there stayed while the session lasted. When the bird of wisdom came in at he window court was in session, and Judge Burke sat upon the beach with knitted brows, trying to fathom some of the intricacies of the law which was ights of the county. The bird at once ook in the situation, and, flying over Judge Burke's head, perched itself upon the drapery pole immediately back of the learned Judge. Here it sat without moving a feather, with one eye turned downward and fastened upon the movements of Judge Burke until Court adjourned.

A Mysterious Affair.

Chicago, Sept. 25 -Dr. Thomas W. Wallace and Mrs Eva Boss were found unconscious in the former's apartment in South Chicago last night and Mrs. Boss died a short time later, after being removed to her own home. Physicians succeeded in saving the life of Dr. Wallace and he is now in the hands of the police but has not yet given any explan-Prince Tuan to be president of the stion of the affair. Dr. Wallace is a Great Council is officially confirmed, widower. Mr. Boss says he cannot understand his wife being at the doctor's apartments last night. She had been under the doctor's treatment and had been to his office earlier in the day. with her husband's knowledge, but he knows of no reason why she should No Volleys Over Campos's t rave.

Madrid, Sept. 25 .- The wish expressed in the dead general's will that his funeral be a simple one will be respected, and the body of Marshal Campos, who died Sunday, will be interred without military honors or a State funeral. The grave will be in the cemetery of the picture-que little basque village of Zarauz, near the old church. Every precaution is being taken to prevent the idvalid daughter of the Marshal from hearing of ber father's death. She has been bedridden for many years and it is thought that the news might cause her death.

The Markets.

Chicago, Sent. 26.—The market cloud. ed in the dead general's will that his State of Ohio, City of Toledo. | se.

Chicago, Sept. 26.—The market closed at ollows: Wheat - Nov 77% 37714. Georgetown, Sept. 25.—Wheat 68a73.

Foreign News London, S. p. 25.—Lord Roberts re-ports that General Barton, operating near Krugersdrop, has captured 720 Trek oxen, 950 cattle, and 1,000 sheep. Glasgow, Sept. 25.—Another death from the plague occured today. There are now 23 cases of the disease in hospi

Paris, Sept. 25.—M. Delcasse, minis ter of foreign affairs, says that Arch-bishop Ireland will be made Commander of the Legion of Honor tomor. row. The official reason assigned for the decoration of the American prelate is the service rendered by

France in connection with the Lafayette statue. The Patrie prints a Geneva dispatch saying that ex Captain Dreyfus, who had been visiting a friend at Geneva was set upon by a mob as he was leaving the friend's house and that he bad to take refuge in a boat on the lake

Naval Manocuvres. Newport, R. I., Sept. 25.-Uncle

Sam's warships are the centre of inter est here just now. The manoruvres of the ships which began last night, under direction of the Naval War College continue today. The hostile quadron made up of the battleship Kearsage Indiana and Texas, the gunboals Scorpion, Eagle, and the torpedo boats Porter, Dahlgren, Dupont, Gwynn and Morris, are lying out at sea, ready to at tack. The defending fleet composed of the cruiser New York, battleship Man sachusetts, gunboat Vicksburg and rug Leyden, aided by the forts are watch ing the enemy. The submarine best Holland is to take a promicent part in the manoeuvres tonight. She is to try to get within firing distance of the warships, place a twoy and get away undetected. The success of the Holland touight will have much to do with the career of future submarine boats, in the United States navy. The torpedo boat Stiletto, came to grief during the manoeuvres las night She crashed into a dock after firing a torpedo at the Massachusetts and smashed her bow plates. The vel dict of the umpires on last night's attack is awaited with interest. Unof-

The Intercepted Messages, London, Sept. 25,-It was learned to

was successful.

ficially it is said the attacking force

day from a foreign office official that the Chinese authorities held up all messages from Ministers Conger and MacDonald during the last two weeks in August and the first week of September. They have as yet given no explatation for this action. On August 26 the department of State at Washington told Lord Salisbury that no word had been received from Mr. Conger in ev-eral days. The British foreign effice replied that they were also without of ficial news from Pekin. This aroused the suspicion of both governments and led to strongly worded protests to the Chinese Ministers Wu Ting Fang and Lofenglu. These, after some delay, had the desired effect and cipher telegrams from the American and British representatives at Pekin began to arrive as formerly. The two governments decided not to make the news public for fear of arousing too much antagonism against China and thus retarding

a settlement of the difficulties. Injured by a Blast.

New York, Sept. 25 -A blast set off today at Fifth Avenue and 51st street where excavation is going on for the foundation of the new Union Club, set a shower of rocks in all directions and a bunch of them went through the wisdow of the old W. H. Vanderbilt resiavenue and 51st street. Considerable mage was done in the drawing room knocked over and a vase of great value and a mirror from the Dake of Hami ton's collection were smashed to pleter Fortunately none of the valuable pictures in the drawing room was injured The house is the property of George

W. Vanderbilt but he seldom occupition it since he built Biltmore, in North Car

Lynching Reported. New Orleans, La., Sept. 25 -Passetgers arriving here today state that a man who boarded the train at White castle, told them that wholesale lyuci ing of negroes occurred last plant castle is across the Mississippi river about 50 miles west and a little souths Pochatoula where negro lynchings of curred last week. The man said the outraging of a white child had caused

the lynchings.

The Howard Case. Frankfort, Ky., Sept. 25 -The Hoxard case went to the inry at noon day. Commonwealth's Attorney B. Williams this morning delivered to closing argument, after which the cour

this evening.

Wine a Plenty. Paris, Sept. 25 .- Reports from the vine districts of France show that will is going to be unprecedentedly chesp this year. Some vineyard owners at while to pick their grapes.

The Vancouver Interview. New York, Sept. 25 .- In an interview t day Liest Hobson, who arrived in New Yotoday, declared that he had been done a guinjustice in the Vancouver interview which he was alleged to have belief Dowey's victory. The interview, he was distorted. Hobson admitted, how having said that Dewey did not actually the Spanish ships, but he insided the explained at the time that it was leverfire which made it recessary for the Spinito open the sea cooks. Hobson said that
who had been on the ground, could appear who had been on the ground, could ap-more fully than many, what a glorier tory Dewey's was. The lieutement adjet to he had not written Admiral Dewey regarded the Incident, but that he would call on him a the first epportunity

Railroad Shops Burned. Little Rock, Ark., Sept. 25.-Fire at a early hour this morning destroyed the Iron Mountain Railroad, at Cross. The buildings covered an ground. Loss \$250,000. The org fire is unknown, but is thought to have sent ed in the paint shops. Four hundred man are thrown out of employment.

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